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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health, Region VI

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Our Reference: SPA TX 10-30

Mr. Billy Millwee Associate Commissioner for Medicaid & CHIP Health and Human Services Commission Post Office Box 13247 Mail Code: H100 Austin, Texas 78711

Dear Mr. Millwee:

We have reviewed the State's proposed amendment to the Texas State Plan submitted under Transmittal Number 10-30, dated June 9, 2010. This state plan amendment updates the targeted case management for persons with chronic mental illness services fee schedule rate and implements a one percent reimbursement reduction.

Based on the information submitted, we have approved the amendment for incorporation into the official Texas State Plan with an effective date change of September 1, 2010. A copy of the CMS-179 and the approved plan pages are enclosed with this letter.

CMS is approving this state plan amendment; however, due to concerns regarding potential problems with access to care, CMS will continue to inquire about the results of the State's planned efforts to monitor access to care to help determine whether it has been negatively affected by this rate reduction or due to the State's rate reductions. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley at (214) 767-6278.

Sincerely,

/s/

Bill Brooks Associate Regional Administrator

Enclosures

cc: Emily Zalkovsky, Policy Development Support